

REMARKS

Claims 1-30 are pending in the present application.

The Examiner has required election in the present application between:

Group I, claims 1-18, drawn to a substitute or microarray;

Group II, claims 19-22, drawn to a method of promoting interaction between biomolecules;

Group III, claims 23-27, drawn to a method of detecting interaction between biomolecules; and

Group IV, claims 28-30, drawn to a method of promoting interaction between an immobilized biomolecule and a target biomolecule.

For the purpose of examination of the present application, Applicants elect, with traverse, Group I, Claims 1-18.

Applicants submit that, upon finding of allowable subject matter in the claims of Group I, the claims of Group II, if commensurate with the apparatus claims of elected Group I, should be rejoined to the present application as method of use claims. MPEP § 821.04.


Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Mark J. Nuell, Registration No 36,623 at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

- ☐ Attached is a Petition for Extension of Time.
- ☐ Attached hereto is the fee transmittal listing the required fees.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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Respectfully submitted,

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